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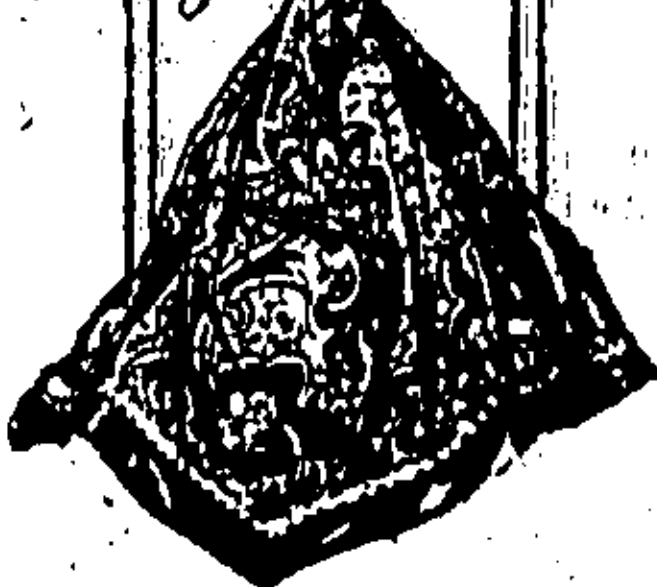
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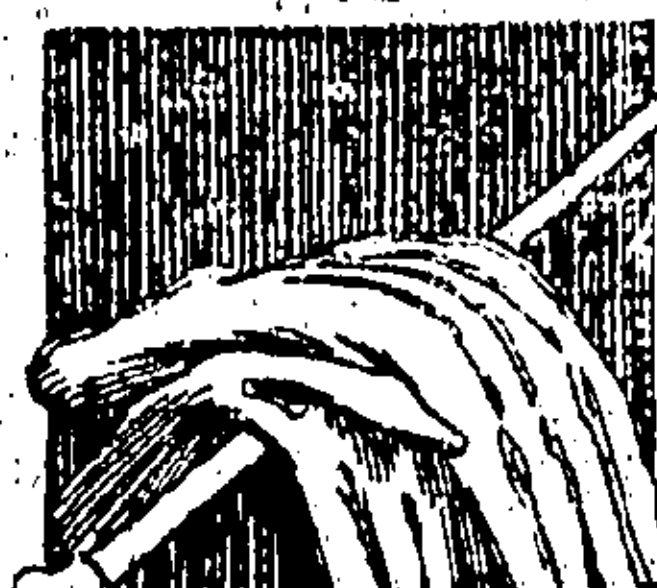
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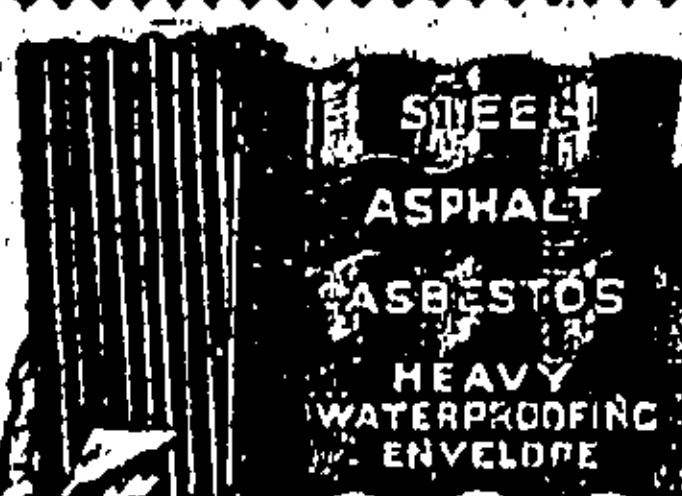
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AMONG THE PYGMIES. EXPLORERS PASS THROUGH HONGKONG.

AERIAL INVESTIGATION PLANNED.

"China Mail" Interview With Deputy Leader.

There passed through Hongkong yesterday, members of an expedition to New Guinea despatched by the Smithsonian Institute (the National Museum of America) who have set themselves a task which has all the elements of the greatest hazard and romance.

In 1911 a British expedition under Wallaston set out into the interior from the shores of New Guinea in an endeavour to obtain information with regard to a pygmy tribe—photos and measurements which would be of considerable ethnological importance.

Actual touch was eventually gained with the tribe and a few photographs were taken. But as over a year had been thus spent and the supply of provisions for the return journey was a matter of anxiety Wallaston had to leave before gaining the full data which was required.

Two Years' Wandering.
The entire expedition occupied a period of close on two years, the greatest handicap being the food problem, personnel of the expedition totalling 400, inclusive of carriers. The magnitude of the task of carrying provisions for two years for such a large party is easily to be realised.

Efforts to get into touch with the pygmy tribe have since failed, and the Smithsonian Institute is of the opinion that the solution of the problem of discovering them is along the lines of aerial exploration. Wallaston has provided approximate data with regard to the locality and the expedition passing through Hongkong yesterday is to endeavour to locate the tribe in the mountains by means of a reconstructed, Ereguet aeroplane.

A "China Mail" representative chatted in the lounge of the Hongkong Hotel yesterday with Mr. E. K. Pack, the pilot of the expedition and deputy leader—the famous ethnologist, M. W. Stirling, being on board the a.s. "President Van Buren" at the time and not available.

Dutch Protection.
Mr. Pack paid tribute to the efficient manner in which Mr. Stirling had organised the expedition and was optimistic as to the outcome. A base was to be established somewhere on the coast of New Guinea in Dutch territory and the Dutch authorities had promised protection for the base from which the expedition was to set out inland by aeroplane.

The aeroplane was coming by the a.s. "Grace Dollar" which was to land it at Sourabaya. The expedition was to start from Batavia and to work from the south shore. It would take six weeks to unpack the aeroplane from the crate and set it up, and six weeks to re-pack it, but excluding this time, it was thought that with Wallaston's directions it would be possible to get into touch with the tribe in a working time of two months and a half.

Moving Pictures.
The expedition has with it all the apparatus for taking moving pictures of the life of the pygmies and for taking physical and ethnological measurements.

Fatal Accident.
An accident attended with fatal results was enquired into this morning, failure to report the incident being the charge brought against the Chinese driver of the car in question.

He stated that he asked the injured man to go with him to the station but that the latter refused.

The injured man died in hospital five days later. The case was adjourned for a week, but being allowed in the sum of \$100.

Four deaths from enteric fever are reported by the M.O.H. to have taken place during the week ended December 19, all being Chinese. Two further deaths are also reported to have taken place from the same fever during the 24 hours ending December 21, these being Chinese. One death of a Chinese patient took place from enteric fever during the week ended December 19, and another from the same fever during the 24 hours ending December 21, these being Chinese.

Chinese Pantry Boy Charged.
\$2,000 FINE IMPOSED.
A fifteen-year old Chinese serving as a pantry boy on the Macao steamer "Sai On" was arrested at the wharf by a Chinese revenue officer yesterday following the discovery of 15 bags of illicit opium which he attempted to smuggle ashore. The opium was found tied round the waist in three packets.

In charging the youth before Mr. B. E. Hindle at the Central Magistracy this morning with unlawful possession of the drug, Chief Preventive Officer, Mr. J. C. Clarke mentioned that an analysis of this nature was required to confirm and asked the youth to take a solemn view.

A fine of \$2,000 was imposed with the alternative of three months' hard labour.

MOTOR SMASHES. EUROPEAN'S SEVERE INJURIES.

ANOTHER'S LUCKY ESCAPE.

By the fortunate circumstance that the motor car he was driving did not overturn when it came into violent collision with a tram car at the foot of Garden Road at 6.25 p.m. yesterday, Mr. G. H. M. Bannerman, of the Hongkong Electric Company, with a Chinese chauffeur seated beside him, escaped injury.

The motor car which had preceded a tram car going east with the intention of going up Garden Road had been brought to a halt near the sentry box across the tramway track with the rear portion fouling the line of the cars proceeding east along the Hongkong Cricket Club ground.

The tram car struck the motor car on the mudguard and rear wheel, dragging the car some distance and swerving it round. Damage was sustained to this portion of the motor car and also the petrol tank which commenced to empty its contents on the road.

The tram car continued on its journey shortly after none the worse for the mishap.

This Morning's Smash.

A Matchless motor cycle combination presented a pitiful sight at the same spot this morning after it had come into contact with a Sanitary Board lorry. The side-car was smashed to matchwood and the front portion of the machine including the wheel and fender badly. The outfit was lying near the sentry box for a considerable long time after the accident until it had to be lifted clear of the road.

The driver of the motor cycle, Mr. W. C. Clark, engineer of the Telephone Company, was, it is feared, badly injured in the knee and upper part of the leg and had to be taken to hospital.

The motor cycle was travelling from west to east and was turning into Garden Road when the lorry came from the opposite direction and collided with it.

MRS. DIANA WATTS.

SECOND LECTURE THIS EVENING.

YESTERDAY'S MISUNDERSTANDING.

Owing to a misunderstanding which led to a certain amount of confusion, it was erroneously stated in last night's "China Mail" that the lectures to be given by Mrs. Diana Watts in the Theatre Royal last night and to-day had been cancelled. The lectures had, at one time, been cancelled, owing to the belief that Mrs. Diana Watts had been delayed in Shanghai. Mrs. Watts, however, arrived here by and through a mistake over her telegram from the North. The last moment intimation that she had arrived and would give her lecture in the Theatre Royal yesterday afternoon, was unfortunately not fully understood, and the notice of cancellation duly appeared in print.

However, Mrs. Diana Watts is giving a second lecture in the Theatre Royal at 5.15 this evening, when she is sure to have a much larger audience than she had yesterday. Good as was her lecture yesterday it is understood that this evening's is still better, covering a wider and more varied range of her subject which she has made famous. A notice of last night's lecture appears elsewhere in this issue.

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MURDER TRIAL. CHIEF JUSTICE REPROVES COUNSEL.

LENGTHY CROSS-EXAMINATION.

Sir Henry Cowper Gollan (Chief Justice), sitting in Criminal Sessions this morning in the continuation of the "fire-wood" murder case, reproved defending counsel on a point of an order to a Crown witness.

Lance-Sergeant Usuf Khan, who was with the deceased Indian constable, was cross-examined very minutely by Mr. Easley Zeilya (instructed by Messrs. G. K. Hall Brutton & Co.).

Shortly after witness had re-entered the box, His Lordship told Mr. Hall Brutton he must not interrupt. Then when Mr. Zeilya once or twice repeated instructions to witness to turn and look at His Lordship, the Chief Justice said to counsel: "There is no need why you should tell him (witness) what he has got to do; I can tell him if I want to."

Witness produced a notebook. After a series of questions, he admitted that an entry relating to the shooting was not in his own handwriting.

The case is proceeding and is unlikely to finish by to-day.

The Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp (Attorney-General) is prosecuting, instructed by Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith (Assistant Crown Solicitor).

SHOOTING CASE.

KOWLOON DOMESTICS GET 9 MONTHS.

TODAY'S SESSIONS VERDICT.

Two domestic servants in the employ of Captain L. D. Joll, M.C. R.A., (who lives at Kowloon) were sentenced to nine months' hard labour each at the Criminal Sessions by Mr. Justice J. R. Wood (Puisne Judge) this morning.

Li Kan had been found "not guilty" of shooting at Sergeant Clark but guilty of possession of arms. Li Chun was found guilty of possession of ammunition, the only charge he was indicted upon.

Tai O Arms Case.
Mr. S. Fitzroy applied for a remand in the case of six Chinese on a count of possession of 5 revolvers and 129 rounds of ammunition at Tai O on November 30.

Mr. Fitzroy asked for bail. His Lordship granted bail in the sum of \$1,500 for each of two prisoners and \$500 for each of the others—all personal bonds—and remanded the case sine die.

BRITAIN AND RUSSIA.

A REQUEST REFUSED BY MR. BALDWIN.

NO CHANGE IN ATTITUDE.

(Reuter's Service.)

That an early change in the British attitude toward Russia is unlikely was indicated at question time in the House of Commons when Mr. Baldwin refused a request to appoint a Committee on British-Russian Economic Relations in the absence of any suggestion on the part of the Soviet Government regarding the extent to which and the manner in which they were prepared to deal with British claims.

Another questioner called attention to the speech by Mr. Rykov offering to abolish the Soviet Army, provided that disarmament was generally carried out. He asked whether the Government was willing to participate in a conference in which Russia was represented.

Mr. Locker-Lampson said that he had no official knowledge of Mr. Rykov's proposal and therefore the second part of the question did not arise. He pointed out that the League of Nations had invited the Soviet Government to participate in a conference.

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IN RETREAT.

MUKDEN ARMY AVOIDS A FIGHT.

NOW AT CHULIUNG.

(Reuter's Service.)

Tokyo, Dec. 21.
A Kokusai message from Mukden states that the cavalry, under Marshal Chang Tso Lin, who retreated to Hsingmumfu yesterday, later fell back as far as Chulung.

It is reported that the Mukden Army is abandoning Hsingmumfu without fighting, though General Ku's troops have not yet entered the town. Ku's rearguard yesterday arrived at Pailipo.

SEATED MAIL AFTER TEN DAYS.
Peking, Dec. 19.

For the first time for ten days, the mail reached Peking, from Tientsin this morning. It was brought by couriers, who bicycled most of the way, taking three days on the journey. It is hoped the international train will leave for Tientsin to-morrow or Monday, but will take no passengers, except those on official business.

STUDENTS PROTEST.
Tokyo, Dec. 21.

Yesterday the Chinese students here held a meeting, protesting against Japan's action in reinforcing the Manchurian garrison. They passed a resolution, demanding the withdrawal of the Japanese troops.

Afterwards they visited the Foreign Office, the War Office, and the General Staff Office and presented their resolution.

PRESS COMMENT.

London, Dec. 21.

The "Daily Telegraph," referring to the Japanese action in Southern Manchuria, says that its effect on public opinion in China proper is sure to be bad.

The "Telegraph," whilst sympathising with Japan in a most difficult situation, hopes that her interference will be limited to the very minimum possible.

WARNING FROM POWERS.

Peking, Dec. 18.

On behalf of the Foreign Powers, the Dutch Minister, Sir W. J. Oudendijk, K.O.M.G., has handed a Memorandum to the Foreign Office to-day acknowledging receipt of a Memorandum from the "Waichiaopu," dated December 16, containing a communication from Marshal Feng Yu Hsiang relating to firing by Chinese troops on two motor flying a foreign flag and going to Tientsin from Peking.

Sir W. Oudendijk says that he has not failed to lay this memorandum before other Ministers and they desire that he should state that whilst they are prepared to warn their nationals of the danger of crossing the table line during the present hostilities, they feel constrained again to insist that safe communication by rail and road be restored without further delay between Peking and the sea in accordance with Article IX. of the Protocol of 1901.

They, therefore, urge all necessary measures be taken at once in Peking to the effect that the so-called "international" train resumed its service forthwith in order that foreigners pursuing peaceful and neutral occupations may do so without hindrance, and that the foreign Legations and foreign nationals may again receive and send diplomatic couriers and postal communications which have now already been interrupted for ten days.

HONAN INVADERS.

Peking, Dec. 22.

Yen Hsi-shan issued a communique on Friday last claiming that he repeatedly defeated the Honan invaders, who are regarded as brigands and are pursuing them from Liaochow eastward. He expects tranquillity to be restored in Shansi within a few days.

NO SOVIET TROOPS.

Tokyo, Dec. 2.

In the course of the Budget discussion, Baron Shidekara, replying to a question by Baron Sakatani, said that a Consular report from Manchuria indicated that Soviet troops had not yet been sent to Manchuria.

And though the Soviet Government had not yet announced that it would send any troops to Manchuria, it was believed that it would.

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The first steamer, "Santos Maru" is expected to arrive here on December 29. Particulars of the vessel are as follows:—

Length, 418.90 feet; Breadth, 56 feet; Depth, 36 feet; Displacement, tonnage, 13,000 tons; Speed, 16.5 miles; 1st Class, 40 Passengers; Special 3rd Class, 103 Passengers; 3rd Class, 588 Passengers; Engine, Sulzer; Diesel Engines; Cargo Capacity, 8,120 tons; Ice Chamber, 250 tons; Silt Room, 430 tons.

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She will leave here on December 30 for South American Ports via Singapore, Colombo, Durban and Cape Town.

THE "SIANG WO."

NEW VESSEL LAUNCHED TO-MORROW.

The launching takes place to-morrow afternoon at five o'clock at the Kowloon Dock of the "Siang Wo," which has been constructed by the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company for the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.

A brief description of the new vessel, which is designed for the middle Yangtze River service, may prove of interest.

Her length over all is 285 feet; length between perpendiculars 275 feet; breadth moulded 46 feet; depth moulded 11 feet.

She has a full post foremast and carries two masts, poles for carrying derricks for the after-hold, with machinery space amidships.

The "Siang Wo" will be able to carry between 600 tons and 1,000 tons of cargo, but in addition she also has a certain amount of passenger accommodation. Twelve first class passengers can be carried in six two-berth cabins, and there is accommodation for 56 second class passengers in fourteen four-berth cabins. The passenger accommodation is situated on the upper deck.

On the upper deck there is also a baggage room and smoke-room, while aft there is a Chinese saloon, which will seat twenty-four. The floors and enclosed deck space are of pine and the exposed decks of teak.

She is metal built. She will not be completed until about the end of February, and will proceed to Yangtze immediately after her speed trials have been carried out in Hongkong. The vessel will be electrically lighted throughout.

The Rev. Angus M. Glasgow, a Scot of many years but few words, was on a flying visit to the Jamiesons, who had years ago been members of his congregation.

"Will you take a cup of tea, Mr. M. Glasgown?" said the kindly Mrs. Jamieson.

"No thanks, no tea," replied he. "A cup of coffee, then?"

"No coffee."

"Will I make you cocoa?"

"No cocoa."

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"KASHGAR"	9,000	28th Dec. at Noon.	Marseilles, Capablanca, London, Antwerp & Hull
"MACDONIA"	11,080	9th Jan.	Marseilles and London
"KHYBER"	9,114	23rd Jan.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"DELTA"	9,037	4th Feb.	Spain, Penang, Cebu & Hongkong
"MALWA"	10,941	8th Feb.	Marseilles and London
"KASHGAR"	9,000	20th Feb.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KASHGAR"	10,941	6th Mar.	Marseilles and London
"KASHGAR"	9,000	13th Mar.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KASHGAR"	9,000	27th Mar.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KASHGAR"	9,000	10th Apr.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KASHGAR"	9,000	24th Apr.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KASHGAR"	9,000	8th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KASHGAR"	9,000	22nd May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp

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"TALMA"	10,000	4th Jan.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"TAKADA"	9,949	15th Jan.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"SANTHA"	9,500	28th Jan.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

S. S.	Tons	From Hongkong (About)	DESTINATION
"ARAFURA"	6,000	6th Jan.	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	3rd Feb.	do
"TALMA"	9,949	3rd Mar.	do
"TAKADA"	9,949	7th Apr.	do
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	11th May	do
"TALMA"	9,949	2nd Jun.	do

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The New Zealand Shipping Company's steamers for Southampton and London
via the Panama Canal.

SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN

S. S.	Tons	From Hongkong (About)	DESTINATION
"TAKADA"	9,949	24th Dec. at 8.30 a.m.	Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka
"SICILIA"	9,912	28th Dec. at Noon.	Shanghai and Kobe
"KHYBER"	9,114	28th Dec. 1925.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"HYMETTUS"	4,808	2nd Jan.	Yokohama, Kobe and Shanghai
"SANTHA"	9,500	7th Jan.	Shanghai and Kobe
"MALWA"	10,941	8th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KASHGAR"	9,000	20th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KASHGAR"	9,000	27th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KASHGAR"	9,000	3rd Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KASHGAR"	9,000	10th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KASHGAR"	9,000	17th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KASHGAR"	9,000	24th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KASHGAR"	9,000	3rd Mar.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KASHGAR"	9,000	10th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KASHGAR"	9,000	17th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KASHGAR"	9,000	24th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KASHGAR"	9,000	31st Mar.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KASHGAR"	9,000	7th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KASHGAR"	9,000	14th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KASHGAR"	9,000	21st Apr.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KASHGAR"	9,000	28th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KASHGAR"	9,000	5th May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KASHGAR"	9,000	12th May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KASHGAR"	9,000	19th May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KASHGAR"	9,000	26th May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KASHGAR"	9,000	2nd Jun.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KASHGAR"	9,000	9th Jun.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KASHGAR"	9,000	16th Jun.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KASHGAR"	9,000	23rd Jun.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KASHGAR"	9,000	30th Jun.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe

All dates are approximate and subject to alteration without notice.

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*All Cabins are fitted with Electric Fans free of charge.
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FROM SHANGHAI
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FROM NORTH CHINA
Jan. 1.-J. O. J. L. Tjibodas
FROM SINGAPORE
Dec. 21.-B. F. Yagato
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FROM CALCUTTA
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FROM JAPAN
Dec. 21.-J. O. J. L. Tjibodas
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FROM MANILA
Dec. 21.-O. P. S. Empress of Russia
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FROM SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE
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PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per B. L. s.s. "Pres. Taft" on Dec. 19:- Dr. M. A. Cassidy, Mr. H. A. Christy, Miss I. McGavoch, Mr. Young Foo, Miss Young Foo, Messrs Lee Soon, Woo Hansee, Wong Hui-king, J. Y. Lum (2), Mr. and Mrs. J. P. B. Eastwood, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Matthews, Mr. and Mrs. G. Cleather, Mr. B. Crump, Miss Davey, Miss C. Davey, Messrs L. A. Scotchmer, Hoffmeister, C. B. Zenny, T. E. Nave, A. K. Darendell, R. A. Krutler, C. B. Leung, Wong Lay, Lau Wan, Chan Yek, E. Sicks, Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Parker, Miss L. M. Roberts, Messrs Lung Chok-nin, W. Van de Stadt, L. N. Mahanah, T. Yoshimura, Tsand Wong-se, W. D. Williams, Ayu, Ngai-biu, Ho Yung, Lau Wan-bak, Lui Jim-hing, Ng Wai-ye, Kam Tak-sing, Mrs. A. B. Grant, Mrs. E. Koster, Mr. G. A. Djerahian, Mr. H. K. Hung, Mr. Law Wing-chung, P. Lyard, Mr. K. W. Chan, Mr. Lui Man-sing, Mr. M. H. Dodge, Mrs. N. F. Brooks, Mr. A. Dayan, Miss I. M. Edwards, Mr. Wm. Gurry, Mrs. O. E. Rucker, Mr. S. Hayashi, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Havre and Mr. P. Utley.

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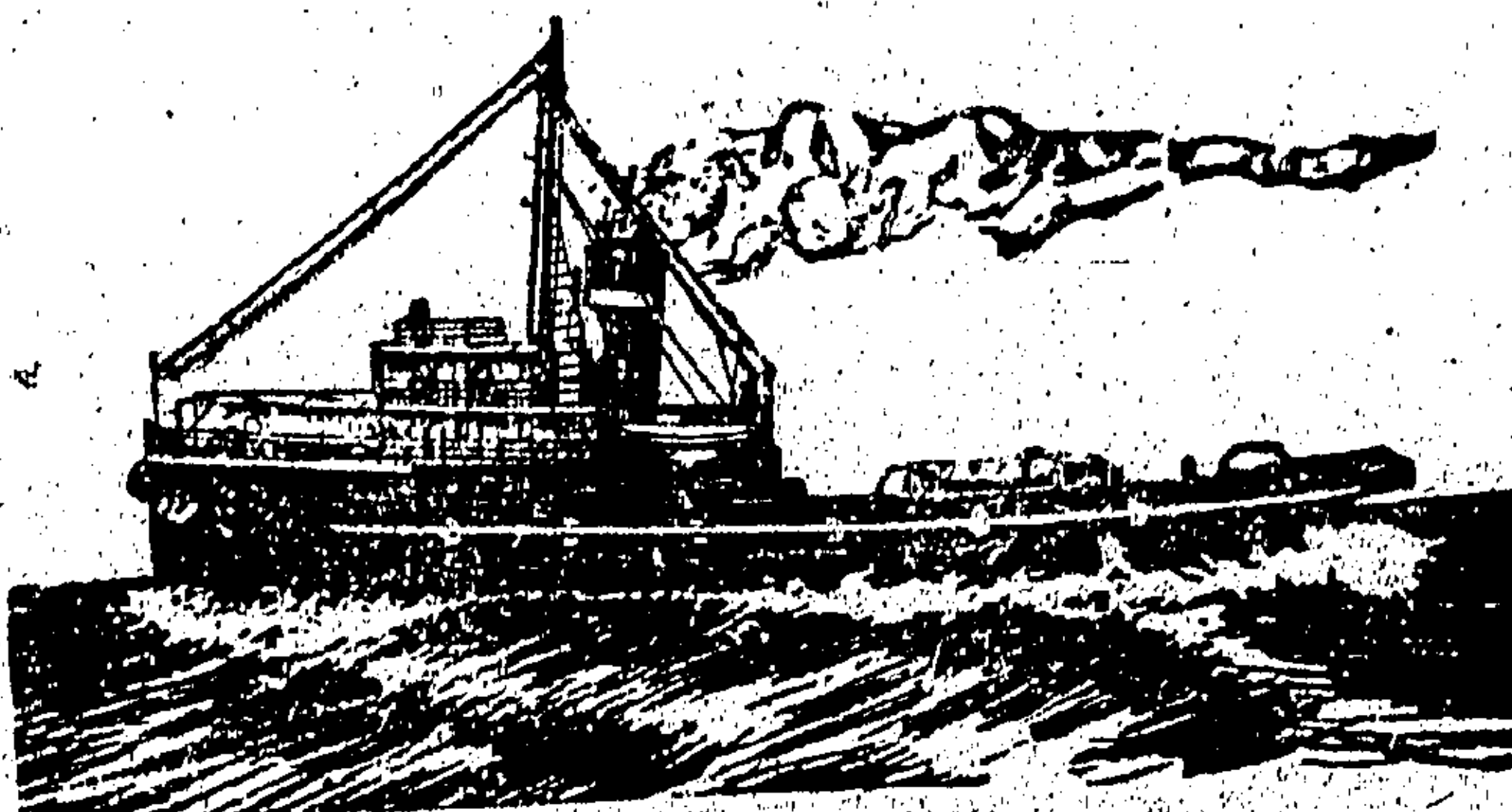
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Time	High Water	Low Water
17	11.15	5.15
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21	12.35	4.75
22	12.55	4.65
23	1.15	4.55
24	1.35	4.45
25	1.55	4.35
26	2.15	4.25
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SIGN OF THE TIMES.

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The flower sellers in Wyndham Street appeared to be doing brisk business yesterday morning with Xmas trees, locally grown, and mistletoe, which comes from Tientsin.
There was plenty of competition and the road was blocked with the dense foliage whenever a prospective customer fitting up for the Xmas party arrived on the scene.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The B. L. s.s. "Takada" left Singapore for this port on Dec. 14 p.m. and was due here at daylight.
The C.P.S. s.s. "Empress of Canada" arrived at Manila yesterday at 7 a.m. left Manila yesterday at 4 p.m. and is due at Hongkong tomorrow at 9 a.m.
The B. L. s.s. "Benalder" from Leith, Middlesbrough, Antwerp, London and Straits left Singapore for this port on Dec. 17, p.m. and is due to arrive here on Dec. 24.
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The M.V. s.s. "Agra" (Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.), left Dunkirk on Nov. 25, 1925 and is due here on or about Jan. 1, 1926.
The C.P.S. s.s. "Empress of Asia" Capt. L. D. Douglas, R.N.R., Commander, will leave here for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama at 6 a.m. on Jan. 7, 1926.

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NEW CONTACTS.

Opinions will differ as to the
ideal line of approach towards
better understanding between
peoples of different race and out-
look. The truth is that there is no
ideal line but that such an object
must lie in different channels. So
far as Hongkong is concerned it is
evident that in the pursuit of
sport many find a means of friend-
ly contact leading to a healthy and
a sane outlook. It is not only that
such societies as the Society of St.
George and St. Andrew's come
into agreeable rivalry in such
things as golf and yachting; but
that representatives of the Chinese
and European communities meet
in the spirit of true sports-
manship in such games as tennis,
cricket, football, water polo and
the like. As time goes on these
activities will be extended until
the whole field of sport has been
covered. One line of contact has
thus been covered, and speaking
of the Chinese and Portuguese,
they are regarded as skilful exponents
of the game they espouse
showing the true qualities which
the pursuit of healthy games
brings in their train. But after
all, this only affects a number, and
not all those who live in the
Colony. Happy the person who,
so to speak, is Jack of all things
that go to make up life and who
can find interest and pleasure in
most of them. But tastes are
more often than not, circumscribed,
and the ideal will be to meet
as many of them—along broad
and general lines—as it is

possible to do. How far,
for instance, has the taste
for music been exploited? It is
interesting to note how, in the
productions of operas, and the
performance of concert music, by
the Philharmonic Society, mem-
bers of the Portuguese community
are to the fore in helping these
ventures. "Iolanthe" figured
amongst its helpers in the orches-
tra, quite a number of Portuguese
ladies and gentlemen who play for
the sheer love of playing. The
Chinese are rapidly becoming
efficient in the art of Western
music. We see no reason why
that much longed-for local orches-
tra should not be representative of
all sections of the community, find-
ing a common basis, in the beauti-
ful and ennobling appeal of music.
There are other lines of appeal—
books, art and debate—all having
their devotees. The sharpness of
the weather suggests that in such
things as walking clubs there is
another idea which could be used
to promote what is called "better
understanding." All these may
suggest an unreasonable number
of societies. But better this than
that visionaries should dwell in
isolation, feeling that Hongkong,
in its corporate life, is very dull,
and adding to the idea which
should be exploded without delay,
that many of us have no soul
above "peif" and passion.

THEY SAY THAT—

All people believe that foreigners
would eat them if they could.—
Joseph Caillaux.

The whole modern proletariat is
on the march; but it is marching
nowhere.—G. K. Chesterton.

As for Einstein's view of space,
I regard it as "relatively" un-
important.—Israel Zangwill.

We are all in one boat, to sink
or swim. You can't have economic
chaos in one locality and economic
stability in any other part of the
world.—Raymond D. Fosdick.

Ligoli is like drink the more you
have the more you want.—Lady
Frances Balfour.

I would rather trust the fate of
the nation to a genuine roughneck
than to a highbrow.—Dean J. B.
Finley of Mexico.

I am less concerned about what
is going to happen to me in eternity
than about what is going to happen
to England in the next ten or
twenty years.—Henry Arthur
Jones.

SELLING A PASSPORT.

ALLEGED TRICK ON A
CHINESE.

PERUVIAN CHARGED.

At the Central Magistracy
yesterday, a Peruvian named
Augusto Gonzalez was charged
with obtaining a sum of \$710 by
false pretences.

It was averred in Court that
the defendant sold to the complain-
ant, a Chinese, about one year
ago, a passport to enable the
latter to enter America, for which
a part payment of \$710 was made,
it having been agreed to make a
further payment bringing the
total to over \$3,000 when the man
had actually entered the States.
The effort failed and the Chinese
had to undergo six months' im-
prisonment for attempting to
enter by means of a false passport,
following which he was sent back
to Hongkong. The Chinese had
the defendant arrested when he
accidentally met him in the street
on Saturday.

Defendant was remanded for
one week at the request of
Detective Sub-Inspector Worling
who has charge of the case.

BLIND GIRLS.

INTERESTING CAROL
RECITAL.

Those who made the journey to
Kowloon City Road yesterday to
the C.M.S. Blind Home were
amply rewarded by the efforts of
the inmates who rendered a pleas-
ing programme of carols. The
loss of sight has not prevented
these girls from being adepts at
knitting, and the character of
their singing—to say nothing of
the violin quartettes—proves they
have an ear and a soul for music.
Verily—"God tempests the wind
to the shorn lamb." The pro-
gramme included the favourite
"While Shepherds Watched" and
"Unto us a Child is born." There
was a story in action, and a read-
ing (braille) of scripture by a
blind girl. One of the girls also
gave an extempore speech of wel-
come, in Chinese, which was inter-
preted by Miss Barber who had
charge of the programme.

Miss K. Beewick, Supt. wel-
comed the visitors and spoke of
the work being done. She men-
tioned how an Australian, himself
blind, had become so interested in
the work, as to send the financial
support of one of the girls.
The visitors included the Rt.
Rev. the Bishop of Victoria and
Mrs. Duppuy, Lady Pollock, Mrs.
T. Arnett, Rev. and Mrs. G. R.
Lindsey, and Rev. C. B. Shann.

OBITUARY.

MR. JOAO JERONYMO
GOMES.

There passed away at his re-
sidence, No. 8 Humphrey's Avenue,
Kowloon, in the forenoon yester-
day, Mr. Joao Jeronymo Gomes,
a very old member of the Portuguese
community in Hongkong, among
whom the deceased counted a great
many friends.

The late Mr. Gomes had been in
the employ of the Hongkong &
Whampoa Dock Co. for the past 48
years and practically saw service in
this leading industrial establishment
in Hongkong almost from its in-
fancy. When he first joined the
Dock Co. he was engaged in the
clerical staff in Aberdeen and
passed through several departments
until the head office of the Company
moved over to Kowloon. Mr.
Gomes was an old and trusted ser-
vant of the Company and worked
under successive Chief Managers
from whom he earned the highest
opinion as a zealous servant and one
who placed his duty before anything
else.

Mr. Gomes had an attack some
months ago which necessitated his
being confined to bed. Although
he rallied on several occasions,
complications set in about a fort-
night ago, and no hope had been
held out for several days.

The late Mr. Gomes was one of
the founders of the Club de Recreo
of Kowloon in the activities of
which he took a leading interest.
The deceased leaves a widow and
a large family of nine children for
whom much sympathy will be felt
in their bereavement.

The funeral will take place at the
Roman Catholic Cemetery to-day
and the cortege will pass the monu-
ment at 5.30 p.m.

DO YOU DREAD THE NIGHT?

"Coughs and colds always seem to
grow worse at night-fall and crowd
around 'midnight waking' at midnight.
Avoid all 'mummy' remedies, sleepless
night by keeping in the home a bottle
of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It is
nothing, healing and contains no
narcotics. For sale everywhere.

SHREDS AND PATCHES.

A boatload of Scotsmen
NOT BY in a gale, and feeling a
HARRY. bit religious.

"Will some o' ye offer
up a bit prayer?" suggested one.
There was no response.
"Will some o' ye sing a psalm
or gang ower a paraphrase?"
Still no reply.
"Then we maun dae something
religious—I'll tak' a collection."

For the first time no
NOBEL Nobel prizes will be given
PRIZE. for the current year.

But inasmuch as the 1924
prize in physics is awarded at the
same time that this negative an-
nouncement is made at Stock-
holm, it may be that a year hence
the directors of the fund will see
fit to make a bestowal in one or
more of the five classes into
which the awards are divided.
It might be conceded that the
year now passing records few
great constructive accomplish-
ments in the advancement of
science or the creation of abiding
literature or the furtherance of
peace. And yet many will urge
the claim of Barnard and Gye to
recognition on the basis of their
cancer research, which has gone
so far toward the isolation of the
malignant bacillus. Their
achievement might be assumed as
of equal importance with the
discovery of insulin, for which
Banting and McLeod two years
ago received a prize.

Here is a variation of
EPITAPH. what is to be seen on
a tombstone out at
Stanley.

Here once I stood as thou
dost now,
And viewed the dead, as thou
dost me.
Ere long thou'll lie as low as I
And others stand and look at
thee.

The Christmas
CHRISTMAS EAST numbers are
O' SUEZ. coming in, em-
bellished with

all the usual Christmas adjuncts
such as coy maidens standing
expectantly under the mistletoe,
large steaming puddings of a
geometrically circular shape,
puddings that never came out of
any basin that I have ever seen!
Holly, of course, in abundance,
for whoever saw a Christmas
Number without holly.

Somehow the arrival of these
papers bring with them a feel-
ing akin to sadness; a memory
of what once was, and is not now.

We remember poignantly our
last Christmas in London; a
London with its shops brilliantly
lighted, the gay crowds of laugh-
ing people who flitted in and out
of them; the schoolboys, wide-
eyed and marvelling; Gamages—
the Mecca of children of all ages,
with its crowded slowly moving
throngs, its Fairyland, its Engle-
land, and Conjuror-trickland,
each packed with worshippers,
small boys who cry, "Don't go
yet, Daddy. I've not seen the
trains, or the wireless, or the
Mecano, or the—" but Daddy is
adamant; and the small boy is
dragged, protesting vehemently,
away.

Christmas is the time when
the world becomes young again
for a few brief, but golden days;
when the spirit of peace and
goodwill is abroad in the land,
and happiness is the keynote of
all that we do.

Christmas east of Suez is a
different thing somehow, for
though the same spirit is pre-
sent, there is an atmosphere
which lacks that exhilaration
that characterises a London
thoroughfare in Christmas week.
Is it the fact that the shops have
such an Eastern air about them?
Is it that there are so few English
folk about? Perhaps that is the
reason, for London without
its crowds would be the loneliest
place on earth, as indeed it is on
a Sunday evening in winter.

We shall make merry with the
rest; we shall have our puddings,
even though they may not be so
round as depicted on the cover
of the Strand Magazine, and we
shall drink a solemn toast to
"Absent Friends" and "Home."
What does it matter if our eyes
are a trifle misty? It is only
the cigar smoke in our eyes.
Come on! Fill up again! No
heel-taps! "To England, Home,
and Beauty!"—Some ass has
started "The Girl I left behind
me"—Curse this cigar!—Ah!
That's better "Auld Lang Syne"
Come on, all together, let her
rip!

And she rips; but mingled with
our mirth is that feeling of sad-
ness and exile, and the laugh and
jest hides in everyone of us that
little longing for the clear, cold,
starlit night, and the homely
Christmas fireside that we love,
and as the evening advances we
fall silent—we are dreaming of
the Christmas that we remember
most vividly, and in the cigar
smoke we build, each of us, a
little Holy of Holies, into which
only we have right of access.

Let us then dream on.

L. E. SABLE.

ABOUT DRAGONS.

Milton writes in one of his
most harmonious numbers—

The old Dragon under ground
In straiter limits bound,
Not half so far casts his unswerving
away.

And wroth to see his kingdom
fall,

Swings the scaly horror of his
folded tail,

and St. John speaks of "the
Dragon, the old Serpent, which
is the Devil and Satan," while
the Serpent that tempted Eve in
Paradise has been familiar to us
all since our earliest childhood;

though commentators differ as to
whether it appeared with a
virgin's head (as some say), and
how it was enabled to speak, and
in Eve's own language; and why
the event excited no surprise in
her. (Milton tells us—Paradise
Lost, ix, 550, and what follows
—that it did, and that, "not un-
amazed," she took up the matter
with the Serpent, which explain-
ed that it had been elevated above
all the "other beasts that graze"
by tasting of the tree of knowl-
edge. This answer at once
satisfied Eve and lured her on to
her fall. The whole account is
circumstantial but undocument-
ed.) Some say that Eve was
inexperienced with animals, not
having been present when Adam
named them; Euginus suggests
that the serpent was a basilisk,
at that time harmless; and the
Emperor Julian said roundly that
the whole story was a fable.

However that may be, the
dragon has been identified with
nearly all the gods and devils of
nearly all the religions of nearly
all mankind—primitive man does
not distinguish between the two,
both being primarily non-moral
beings of enormous and terrify-

ing power—and Christian evi-
dence is undivided in associating
the dragon with the powers of
darkness. And what could be
more natural than a dragon
should take up its abode in or
near Glastonbury, this region of
hills and swamps? For it is
universally admitted that
dragons are to be found on the
tops of mountains or in the
depths of marshes, and it is a
generally accepted test of evi-
dence that what has been believed
by all men everywhere in every
age is true—absurd, perhaps, but
not more absurd than the modern
opinion that what one man has
once believed is true.

We need not pause long over
those other meanings of
"Dragon" which so confused our
forefathers and so delight our
contemporary compilers of dic-
tionaries; we do not propose to
study that Dragon (Draco) who
gave stringent laws to the ancient
Athenians, nor the variety of
carrier-pigeon known to natural
history under that name; nor the
star called Dragon, nor quick-
silver, nor (directly) the sea-
serpent, nor the flying lizard;
nor have we any concern with
the dragons, who take their
name either from the dragon
wrought upon their guns or
from the fact that they were
originally mounted infantry; and
so a kind of fabulous monster or
"popular mystery." Our subject
is the common (or garden)
dragon, one of the major verte-
brates, blood-red or chameleon-
hued, with huge snake-colls, web-
bed, bat-wings and the head of
a lion or an eagle, capable of
snuffing up the wind (Jeremiah,
xlv, 6) and holding companion-
ship with owls (Job, xxx, 29),
though some say that the bird
intended is the ostrich. It dwelt
of old in mountain caves, and
lakes and marshes, and other in-
accessible places (the fiercer sort
favoured the mountains); and
survives to-day only in heraldry
—for instance, in the arms of the
City of London, and of the Royal
Highness, the Prince of Wales,
—from "Jesse" by J. F.
Scott Stokes.

POLICY IN IRAQ.

STATEMENT BY MR. BALDWIN.

BRITAIN'S RESPONSIBILITY.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, Dec. 21.

In the debate in the House of Commons on Iraq, the Prime Minister, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, in moving the Mosul motion, made a statement on British policy in Iraq. He said that the undertaking of the Government was given not for a definite 25 years, but for what he believed would be a far shorter period, namely, until Iraq acquired stability justifying her admission to the League of Nations. It was not an undertaking to spend money on or keep troops in Iraq, but to continue co-operation and advice in maintaining a stable system of government. If, after the expiration of the British-Iraq Treaty in 1928, a foreign Power attacked Iraq with a view to overthrowing the boundary fixed by the Council of the League, then the responsibility of the League would be primary. Our responsibility would depend then on the existing circumstances of world peace and the general condition of the Empire.

AMITY WITH TURKEY.

Mr. Baldwin declared that the Government was only too anxious for Iraq to live in relations of neighbourly amity and co-operation with Turkey. He was inviting the Turkish Ambassador to meet him to-morrow to pursue the question of trying to find ways and means, consistently with Britain's obligations toward Iraq, of arriving at an agreement which would provide, on the basis of the League's recognition of the Iraq, just claims to her territory, a superstructure of a mutual and binding settlement. (Cheers.) The support of the united country was necessary to this end, and he appealed for a cessation of the vehement agitation which had consistently misrepresented the Government policy, and which was calculated outside Britain to create a doubt in regard to the Government's resolution to honour its obligations and the sincerity of its desire for peace.

LABOUR VIEWS.

Mr. J. R. Clynes (Labourite) said that Mr. Baldwin's motion dealt with an international issue of the utmost importance. The House of Commons was depleted at the close of the session, and it was to be asked to commit itself to most serious commitments on the part of Britain. No opportunity had been given to the Opposition to consider the terms of the motion. He asked Mr. Baldwin to permit a discussion on Iraq by moving the adjournment without passing the motion for a division.

Mr. Baldwin agreed as to the importance of the motion and regretted its necessity. He added that as the matter had been submitted to the House only on the last day of the session he would take the unusual course, when the House reassembled, of submitting the new Treaty and asking the House to accept or reject it. Whilst he was anxious to meet the desire of the leader of the Opposition he was unable to remove the motion from the paper, namely, "that the House approves of the action of the British representatives in Geneva in accepting the award of the Council of the League on the Iraq boundary."

TERMS FOR TURKEY.

In the course of the subsequent debate Commander Kenworthy said he understood that the Turks were prepared to submit on the following terms, on which he urged the Government to negotiate, namely: Iraq to have a part of Mosul vilayet necessary for irrigation purposes; a demilitarised zone should be established on either side of the frontier; and a pact of security should be made between Turkey, Persia, and Iraq. The Turks would guarantee the perpetual independence of Iraq and come to terms with Britain in regard to the exploitation of oil; and they proposed the exchange of the Christian population for the Kurds and Turks left in the mandated territory. The Turks asked in exchange that part of Mosul inhabited by the majority of Kurds and Turks, including the City of Mosul.

READY TO NEGOTIATE.

Mr. L. C. Amery, replying to the debate, declared that he was convinced that Iraq—not only would pay her way during the next few years, but would steadily shoulder the burdens that we were carrying for her. He emphasised the Government's readiness to negotiate with Turkey and make any adjustments which

RUBBER CONTROL.

A NOVEL COMPLAINT FROM AMERICA.

MONEY FOR WAR DEBTS.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Washington, Dec. 21.

The House of Representatives has adopted Mr. Tilson's rubber motion.

A supporter of the motion, in a speech, complained that Britain was openly proclaiming her intention to collect four milliard dollars from America in increased rubber prices in order to pay her war debt.

SOVIET AND CHINA.

SYMPATHIES WITH THE KUOMINTANG.

PROGRAMME WELCOMED.

(Reuter's Service.)

Berlin, Dec. 21.

In an interview here, M. Chicherin declared that the Soviet's attitude toward China was friendly and correct, although he did not hide the fact of its sympathies with the Kuomintang, "whose programme to create a free, independent, and modernised Federal Chinese Republic was welcomed by Russia."

HAYLEY MORRIS.

AN APPEAL AGAINST HIS CONVICTION.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, Dec. 21.

It is officially stated that it has been decided to file an appeal in the Hayley-Morris case.

NARCOTICS.

BIG CONFERENCE IN JUNE.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Washington, Dec. 21.

The House of Representatives has adopted a resolution authorising the Government to participate in the conference on narcotics to be held in Philadelphia in June.

would make the settlement easier for Turkey.

A PROTEST.

Mr. Clynes said that the procedure amounted to undue coercion of the House, and when the motion was reached he would ask the Labour members to leave and not participate in the discussions as a protest.

Following Mr. Clynes's protest, the House considered 142 amendments to the Rating Bill made by the House of Lords. Mr. Neil Maclean (Labourite) said that he would speak on every amendment and on every one of the five Bills down for to-day, challenging a division on each occasion to keep the House till eleven o'clock to-morrow morning—the time fixed for the prorogation of Parliament. Mr. Maclean added that he did not think the debate on Iraq would be reached to-day at all.

The Labourites walked out of the House as a protest against Mr. Baldwin's refusal to permit Iraq to be discussed on a motion for adjournment not involving a division.

The Labourites' departure was followed by a further vain attempt by the Labourites to induce the Prime Minister to alter his position. Previously a motion was carried adjourning the discussion on the Rating Bill and other Bills mentioned earlier until to-day (Tuesday).

MOTION CARRIED.

London, later.

Mr. Baldwin's Mosul motion was carried by 289 votes to 4.

The announcement of the figures of the division was greeted with loud Ministerial laughter. The minority was composed of Liberals.

The Labourites were absent throughout the debate.

SOVIET ATTITUDE.

Berlin, Dec. 21.

In the course of an interview, M. Chicherin supported the Turkish standpoint in regard to the Mosul decision. He laid stress on the dangers likely to arise, and hoped that other Governments would use their influence to bring Britain to a more conciliatory attitude.

PEARL HARBOUR.

MANY IMPROVEMENTS RECOMMENDED.

NAVAL AIR STATION.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Washington, Dec. 21.

Mr. Stephens, a member of the House of Representatives and one of the Congressional Committee which visited the Hawaiian Islands last Summer, recommended to the House Committee on Naval Affairs many improvements to Pearl Harbour, including provision for berths for sixteen battleships. He asked for an appropriation of \$2,218,000 (gold) of which a million dollars would be used to improve the channel seaward and \$684,000 for the construction of a naval air station.

The committee also urged the construction of a naval pier at San Diego, California.

STEEL INDUSTRY.

REQUEST FOR PROTECTION REFUSED.

TARIFF TROUBLE.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, Dec. 21.

Replying to questions in the House of Commons, the Prime Minister, Mr. Baldwin, said that the Civil Research Committee of the House had at great length considered an application from the steel industry for protection under the Safeguarding Industries Act. It had heard many witnesses representing employers and employees. The evidence revealed a serious situation, as the result of pressure of foreign competition, but the investigation had made it clear that the safeguarding of a basic industry of this magnitude would have repercussions in regard to conflicting Governments' declarations as regards a general tariff. Therefore, the Government was unable to grant the application for protection.

EMPEROR OF JAPAN.

RECOVERY FROM PAINTING FIT.

(Reuter's Service.)

Tokyo, December 21.

The Emperor of Japan had a painting fit on Saturday. But, though the Court officials are worried, it is officially stated that His Majesty's indisposition is not such as to cause much anxiety.

Today's bulletin indicates that the Emperor has practically recovered.

"MAUD MULLER."

ALAS FOR MAIDEN! ALAS FOR JUDGE!

Long years of experience in Chicago's Court of Domestic Relations have satisfied Judge William M. Gemmill that love and common sense are incompatible.

On the other hand, he admits that "the man who sits down and decides what kind of a wife he will have, will never have any."

These are some of the observations based on his practical study of matrimony which he has set down in a book:

"Life would not be worth living if every fellow married an 'Evangeline' or a 'Maud Muller,'" he says.

"We must continue to play the same old game in the same old way. It is still 'blind man's bluff'."

"Falling in love is the most natural, yet the most extraordinary, thing in life. The most extraordinary thing about it is that all ordinary rules of common sense are rejected."

"Some fall in and fall out a dozen times without seeming the worse for wear."

"If one can resist the first attack, it is easier to resist the second. The perplexing thing is to know when one ought to succumb. It takes a wise man to know when it is the real thing and when it is only 'puppy love.'"

The young wife entered the kitchen rather nervously, and, after hesitating for a few seconds, said to the cook:

"Oh, cook, I must really speak to you. Your master is always complaining. One day it is the soup, and the next day it is the fat, and the third day it is the roast; in fact, it's always something or other."

The cook replied with feeling: "Well, mum, I'm sorry for you. I must be awful to live with a gentleman like that!"

FANCY DRESS DANCE.

SCENE AT KOWLOON SCHOOL.

THE PRIZE WINNERS.

The Headmaster's annual breaking up Xmas party at the Central British School, Kowloon, again took the form of a fancy dress dance. It was held yesterday in the main hall, chairs being placed around for parents, many of whom watched the scholars enjoying themselves from the verandah.

Among those present, in addition to the large number of parents, were the Rev. G. K. Lindsay, vicar of St. Andrew's Church, the Rev. J. Horace Johnston, minister of Union Church, Kowloon, and Miss Holyoak, as officer of the Girl Guides, the organisation recruiting quite a good percentage of its strength from the School.

The scene presented by the scholars in their fancy costumes, was a pretty one, and some excellent costumes, some of which were most original, were seen. Fox trots and valses were danced, polkas, military two-step and one-step, some being for the juniors only and others open or for the seniors. Considering the limitations of the floor for such a large assembly the couples danced very well indeed and they certainly enjoyed themselves.

The sword dance, danced by Lorna Tolan who has recently returned from Scotland where she has won several medals for her execution of Scottish dances, deserves special mention. The spectators were delighted with it. Refreshments were served in the course of the evening and the happy event terminated about eight o'clock.

Mr. G. F. Nightingale, the Headmaster, thanked all those who had assisted: the judges, Mrs. Bennett and Mrs. Richards, the accompanists, Messrs. T. R. Rowell and G. Bond; Mrs. George, who made the arrangements for the refreshments; and Mrs. R. Skelton who presented the prizes. The prize-winners for the most

ROBBERS OR POLICE?

SHATAUKOK MAN'S DILEMMA.

SHOT AT CONSTABLE.

Prisoner's defence, in a case at the Sessions yesterday in which a Chinese was charged with shooting with intent at a constable, was that he thought his house was being broken into by robbers. It was 5.30 a.m. and dark and the villagers were constantly in fear of visits from armed robbers, he stated. His wife woke him up and told him robbers were breaking in and he fired at the first person who crossed the threshold after the door had been broken down.

The events took place at Shataukok and the police raid was carried out on receipt of certain information. The police in question (a European sergeant and some Chinese constables) gave evidence of giving warning to the inmates before they broke in. They waited four minutes at the door for the inmates to open to them.

The jury unanimously found the defendant not guilty of shooting with intent, and guilty on a second charge of being in possession of arms.

This morning Mr. Justice Wood gave prisoner the option of a \$100 fine (or 3 months' hard labour) on the minor charge.

A famous prize-fighter appeared in his usual haunts one evening with two black eyes.

"Who gave 'em to you, Fitz?" inquired a friend.

"Hi, say," responded Fitz, winking to look at his interrogator, as best he could, "oo could black both a man's eyes but 'is wife?"

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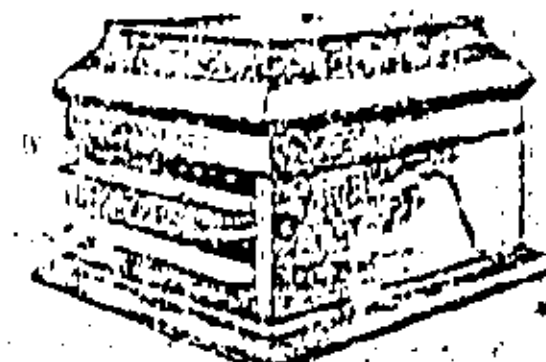
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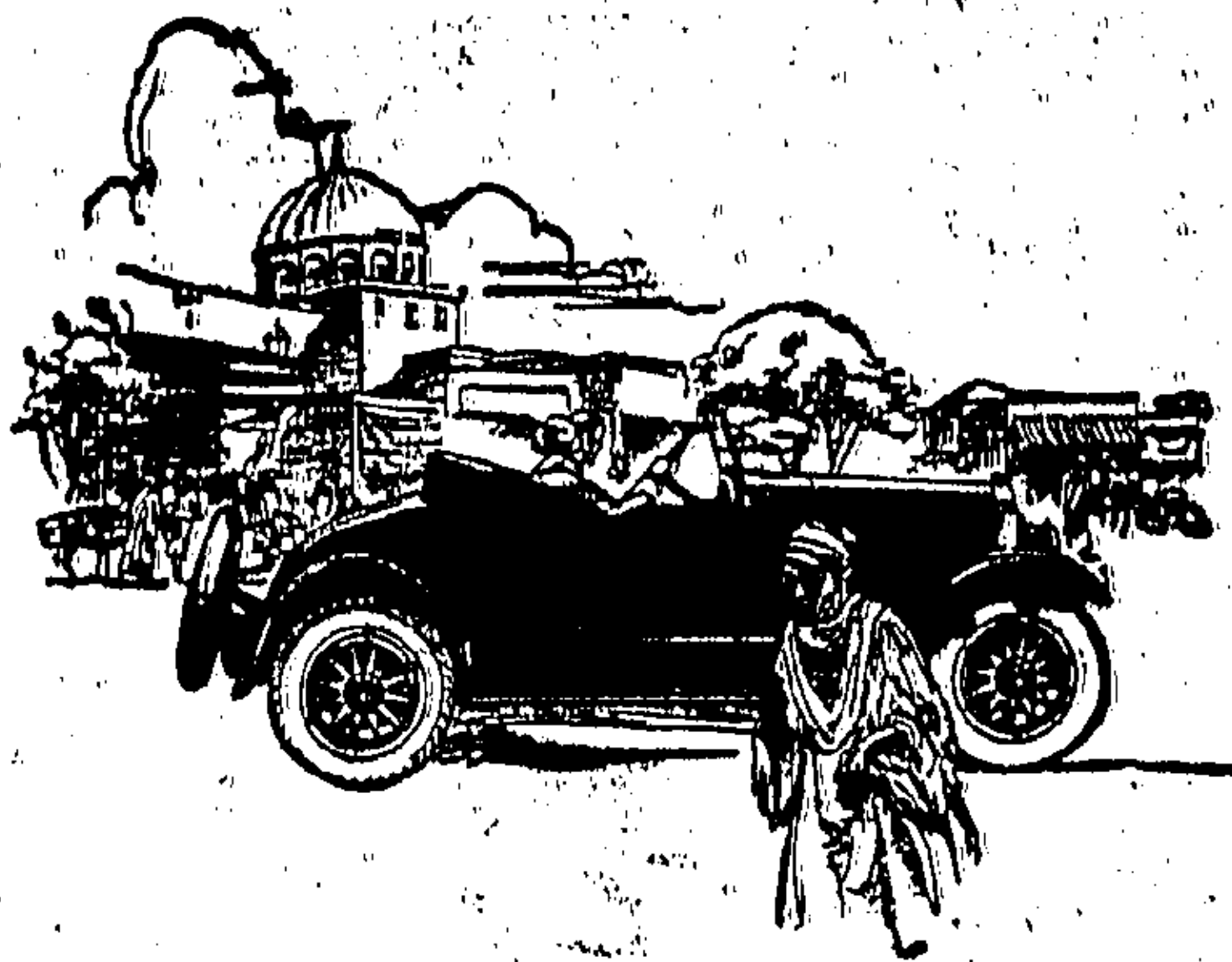
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The return of Notifiable Diseases for the 48 hours ended Sunday, shows a clear Bill of Health.

The 38,000 foreigners in Shanghai are being invited to subscribe a dollar each to the Richmen's Christmas Fund.

Hill fires have taken place on Lantau island, those on Sunday being in the vicinity of the new houses and shacks which are being built.

The Tokyo Amateur Dramatic Club presented "The Man From Toronto," a three act comedy, at the Imperial Hotel Auditorium, on Tuesday and Wednesday, last 15th and 16th.

The British American Tobacco Company's enterprise is again noted. They have issued a beautiful calendar advertising Three Castles cigarettes. It is in three panels, each one bearing an artistic study of feminine beauty.

Observatory returns show that the average mean temperature during November was 71.9, the highest being 83.4 on the 1st and the lowest 61, on the 28th. The rainfall totalled 1.09 inch, and there were 204 hours of sunshine. The average humidity was 70.

In addition to the Manila Carnival's female beauty contest, a grand prize will be awarded by Director A. Luz to the "most beautiful and well developed male" in the islands, according to an official announcement. Dr. Regino Ylanan, physical director of the University of the Philippines, has been appointed chairman of the board of judges.

A certain village north of London is very proud of its brass band, and the local squire exerts himself to keep it at a high pitch of efficiency. Feeling recently that the introduction of new talent might ginger it up a bit, he inserted an advertisement in the local paper. Would-be musicians to an unheard of number answered the advertisement and the squire was greatly surprised, not having expected that the entire county contained so many. But the mystery was solved when it was found that more than 90 per cent. of the applicants were anxious to have a lash at the big drum.

A select committee of the Legislative Council of Jamaica has prepared a memorial to King George rejecting the new constitution giving the Governor power to override decisions of the people's representatives, even on trivial matters.

Fish caught in the North Sea during the night will be taken into Gothenburg loaded into an aeroplane, and be on the table in Stockholm at 9 o'clock the next morning. This is Sweden's latest venture in air transport, and will be carried out by two aeroplanes, each carrying half a ton.

The number of newspapers in Soviet Russia in comparison with 1913 has decreased by 82 per cent. There are now published throughout the Federation 586 newspapers, as against 870 in pre-war times, but the circulation of the Soviet papers exceeds the pre-war time circulation by 110 per cent. having reached by July 1 this year nearly 8,000,000. The large political papers, like Pravda and Izvestia have a circulation of more than 1,500,000 each.

A Sportsman's Code as adopted by the Sportsman's Brotherhood of America reads:

The sportsman keeps the rules, keeps faith with his comrades and plays the game for his side; keeps himself fit, keeps his temper, keeps from hitting a man when he is down, keeps his pride under in victory, keeps a stout heart in defeat accompanied by good grace, and keeps a sound soul and a clean mind in a healthy body.

The efficiency of the conservatory of music of the University of the Philippines is impaired under the present organization and unless its faculty is reinforced and additional outlay is provided for next year, it will continue to decay, according to Director Lippay and members of the finance committee of the board of regents. Students enrolling in the school have increased tremendously in the last three years with no added teaching staff. The finance committee of the regents approved the plan to charge an additional P15 fee a semester for every student beginning next July. Then reinforcement of the faculty would be possible.

A preliminary contest for the All-Japan Skiing Championship, which is fixed for February next year in Sapporo, is to take place at Mount Sankaku on the outskirts of Sapporo on January 16 and 17 under the auspices of the Hokkaido Mountaineers' Society.

A prize of \$5,000 for the best adverse criticism of its new book, "Profits" is offered by the Pollak Foundation for Economic Research of Newton, Mass. The book presents a strong criticism of the existing economic order. The authors are eager to find out the worst that can be said against their theories.

Newspapers report that a group of more than 10 coral islands, the total value of which is estimated at about 200,000,000 yen, has been discovered in the South Seas by a Japanese explorer, Mr. Inouye. The Japan Geographical Society has started a technical survey of the islands, it is said. They are situated about 350 sea miles off Mindanao Island, Philippines, and the actual position will be made public after the discovery is reported to the International Geographic Association, states Mr. Inouye.

The Federation of British Industries is urging upon the Government the advisability of adopting the decimal coinage system to the extent of changing from the present twelve pence in the shilling to ten pence. A memorandum has been published which points out that "the British pound sterling is now the only monetary unit which is not divided into decimal parts and as world traders we cannot longer afford to handicap ourselves by the retention of our insular system of coinage." It is also claimed that "the old problem of how to decimalize the pound and the new problem of providing a price level intermediate between the present penny and three-half-pence" would be solved by the acceptance of this scheme. While foreigners who come to England make many pointed remarks about the archaic character of British coinage, with its pence, shillings, florins, half-crowns, crowns (now very rare), pounds and guineas, anyone who would predict a change to the decimal system would certainly be, putting it quite mildly, an optimist.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. Wm. Sayers has taken over the duties of Secretary of the Hongkong Philatelic Society.

Mr. William Heughan the singer gave two Concerts at Tientsin on the 2nd and 5th inst.

H.R.H. The Prince of Wales has let it be known that his favourite hymn is "Fight the Good Fight."

Mr. A. Carpi is in Japan making final arrangements for the new Italian Opera Co. opening at the Imperial Theatre in Tokyo.

The King and Queen of Italy the Crown Prince and all the other members of the royal family subscribed five dollars gold each as their contributions to the first five years' installments on the Italian war debt to the United States.

Thanks to the Press for their work in connection with the British Empire Exhibition is expressed by the Duke of York in a letter written to the Duke of Devonshire. "The great measure of success achieved," he writes, "is due, in my opinion, chiefly to the generous support of the Press of the Home Country and of the British Empire generally. May I ask you to convey to the newspapers my sincere thanks for their services."

"The Monthly Agency Review" for November, contains the following:—We regret to report that owing to failing eyesight, Mr. F. M. Weller has found it necessary to relinquish his charge of Sun Life activities in South China. Mr. Weller has had many years of service with the Company and during his association with us has added to the regard in which we have always been held in this part of the world. He was universally respected and our sorrow at his enforced retirement is mitigated by the pleasant memories his tenure of office will always call to mind. His friends will join with us in our sincere wishes that many years of tranquil retirement will be his.

The Christmas treat for children at Cheung Chau is to be held on Saturday next.

A New York message reports the death of Professor Edward Sylvester Morse, the zoologist.

It is the mannequin mania now instead of stage struck daughters. Even the chorus girls, who were stage struck once, have a hankering under the changed conditions to become models and have shown an eagerness to desert the footlights because of the more attractive work and the better pay. Professional singers, school teachers, nurses and stenographers and women in many other professions have neglected their old callings in Manchester, Liverpool, Leeds and other English cities, being keen to acquire the splendid manners of a millonairess for a few hours each day at least.



Countess de Clairmont, formerly of Pasadena, is the central figure in the \$12,000 slander suit filed by her husband against George Aguilar. Aguilar denied he ever said anything that might have caused a family disagreement.

Mr. H. C. Shirubole of the Nestle Milk Co. left to-day in the "President Van Buren."

The death is announced of M. Felix Jules Meline, who was French Premier from 1896 to 1898.

Members of the "Iolanthe" cast and friends enjoyed a supper and dance after the final performance on Saturday night.

The "China Mail" is glad to learn that Mrs. Taggart is well again and that Mr. J. H. Taggart is progressing towards complete recovery.

Mr. G. H. Elliott, Mr. G. F. Haslam, Mr. F. P. Sherry, and Major and Mrs. R. E. Lewis returned to the Colony in the "President Van Buren."

Amongst the passengers arriving by the "Tenyo Maru" yesterday were Mr. J. E. Joseph, Mr. D. McMurray, Mrs. Gibbison and Mrs. Diana Watts.

Mr. Andrew Harper returns to the Colony towards the end of the month. Mr. H. E. Harper is also coming to join his father and brother in the business of the Ford car Agency.

The following forthcoming weddings are announced: Mr. Charles Thomas Gandall, steward of the "Empress of Asia," to Miss Martha Anna King, of No. 12, Peace Avenue, Kowloon; Mr. Victor Henry William Chittenden, of No. 171, Wanchai Road, to Miss Gladys Beatrice Brock of No. 83D, Wong Nei Chung Road.

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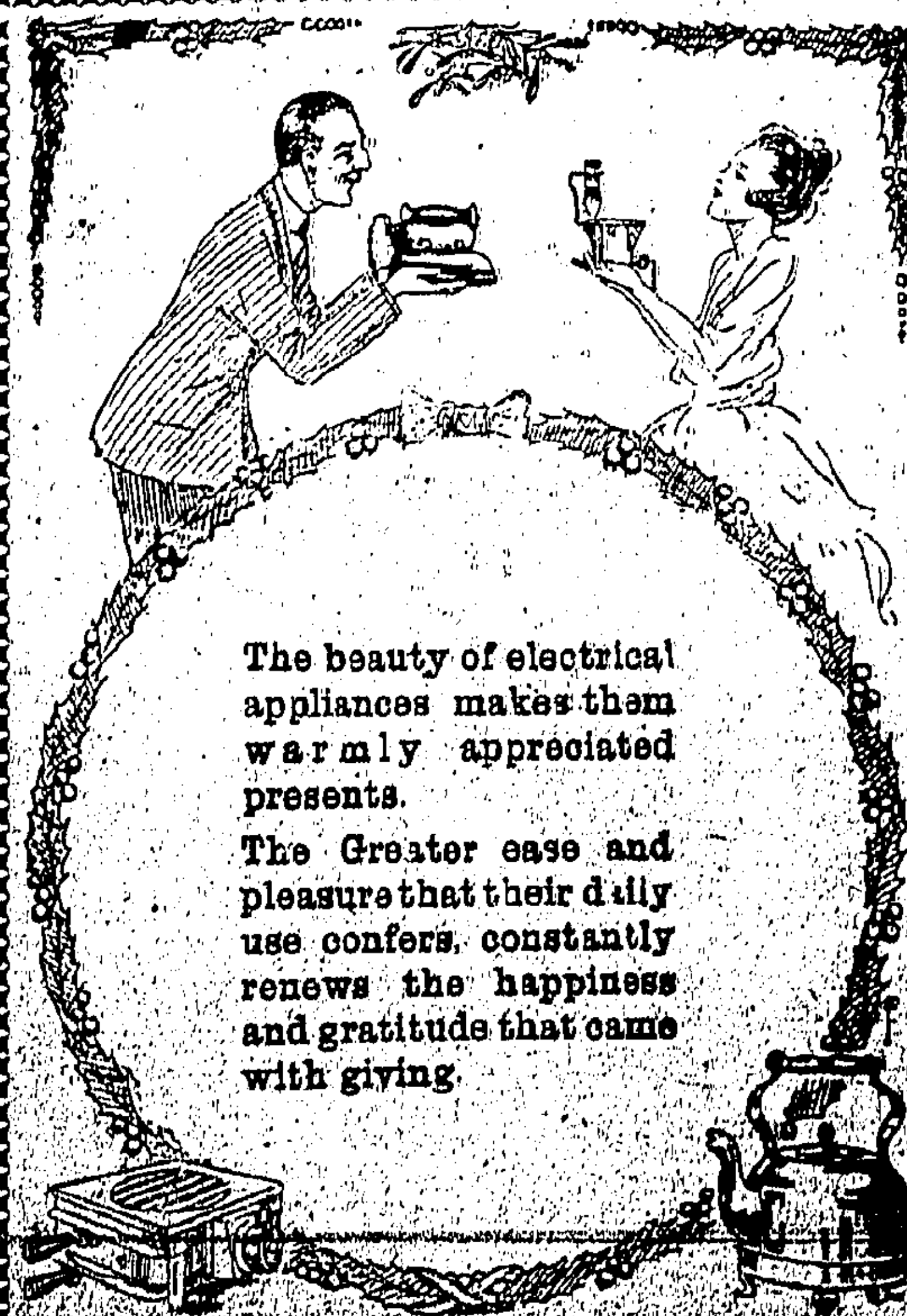
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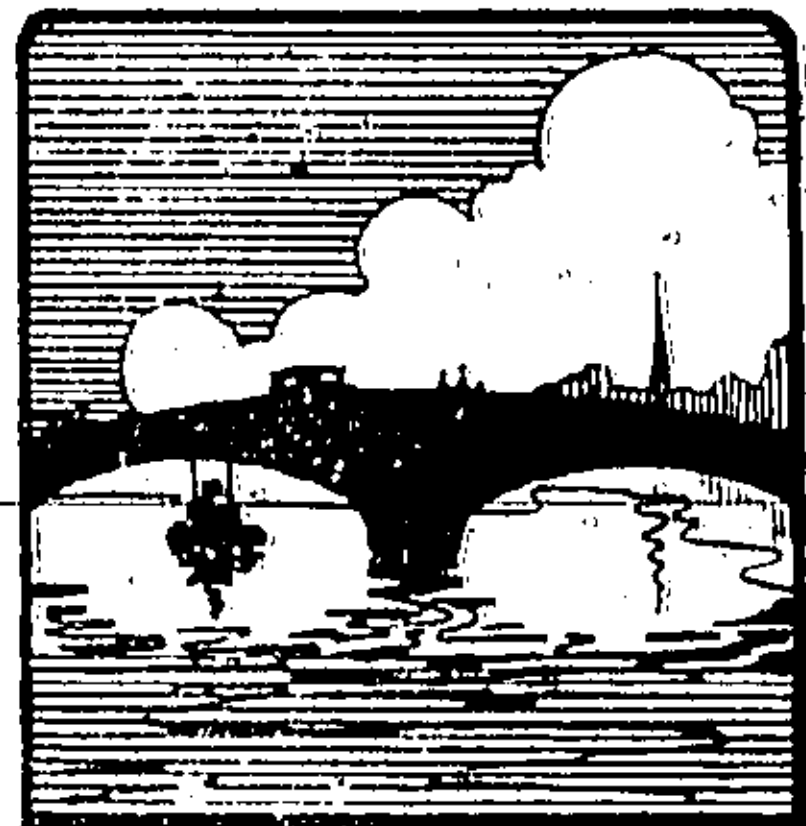
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People and Events in the News of the World



The Lion Sphinx was one of the many rare discoveries made by the Pyth party in its exploration of a ruined ancient temple in Egypt. Eight stone tablets, cut and inscribed in the same way as were the Ten Commandments, and some of them, it is claimed by certain experts, written by Moses, also were unearthed. They are being translated at the University of Munster.



DOROTHY CHEN

Dorothy Chen, of Boston's Chinatown, now the bride of Tsau-Hsiang Liang, Boston University graduate, will spend her honeymoon with him in China.



This image of Pharaoh's daughter, who found Moses in the bulrushes, has been unearthed in the remains of an ancient Egyptian temple. In the temple were found tablets on which it is believed in some quarters Moses had inscribed a message of thanks to his rescuer.



Indian mortar found when diggers discovered a redmen's burial ground in California, from 1,000 to 1,500 years old.



PRINCE NICHOLAS

Prince Nicholas of Rumania is expected to take the Countess of Searfield, one of the wealthiest as well as comeliest girls in the world, as his bride.



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Mrs. Marion Urbanski and Miss Agnes Jones, elected to the New Jersey Assembly, are anti-Prohibitionists. They want the State Blue Laws abolished. It is their belief that prohibition exists only for the poor man.



Instead of providing a feast for birds of prey in the Gobi Desert, as was predicted by many, Roy Chapman Andrews and Mrs. Andrews are back safe from the mystery land of the East. With them they brought this black vulture, the only one in captivity. "Connie" has a ten-foot wing spread and stands two feet high.



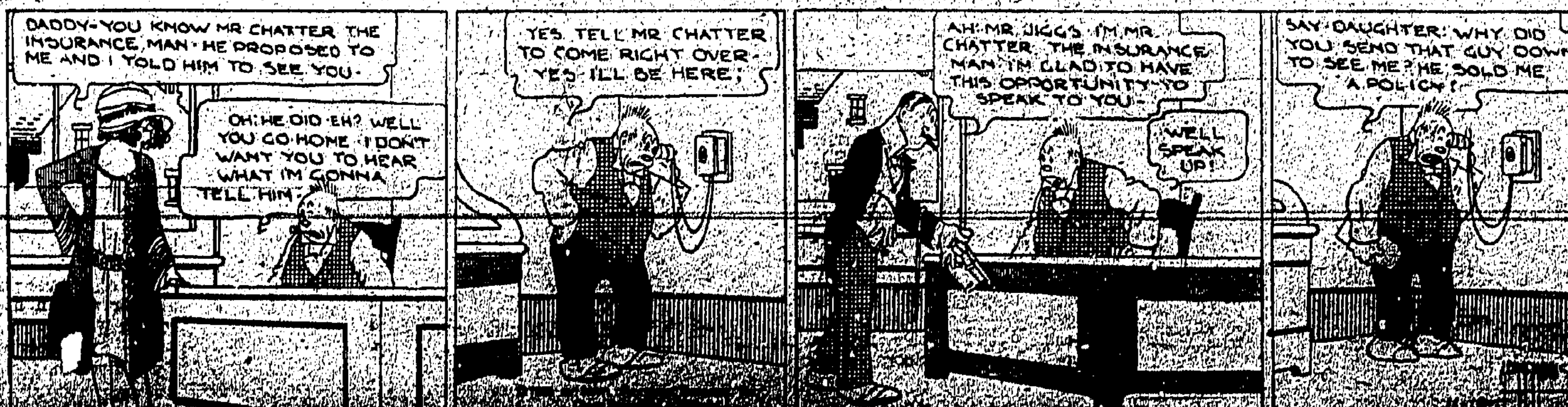
MRS. LAURA LOE



JOHN HILL

Gen. DuPort has been dispatched from Paris to investigate the situation in Damascus. At the same time, Senator Henri de Jouvenal has been made French High Commissioner of Syria. Mrs. Laura Loe, election clerk in San Francisco, checked off other native-born Chinese who cast their ballots. Representative John Hill, who is touring the Coast against less stringent prohibition laws, says Congress will be asked to repeal the Volstead Act and give the States option on the control of light wines and beer.

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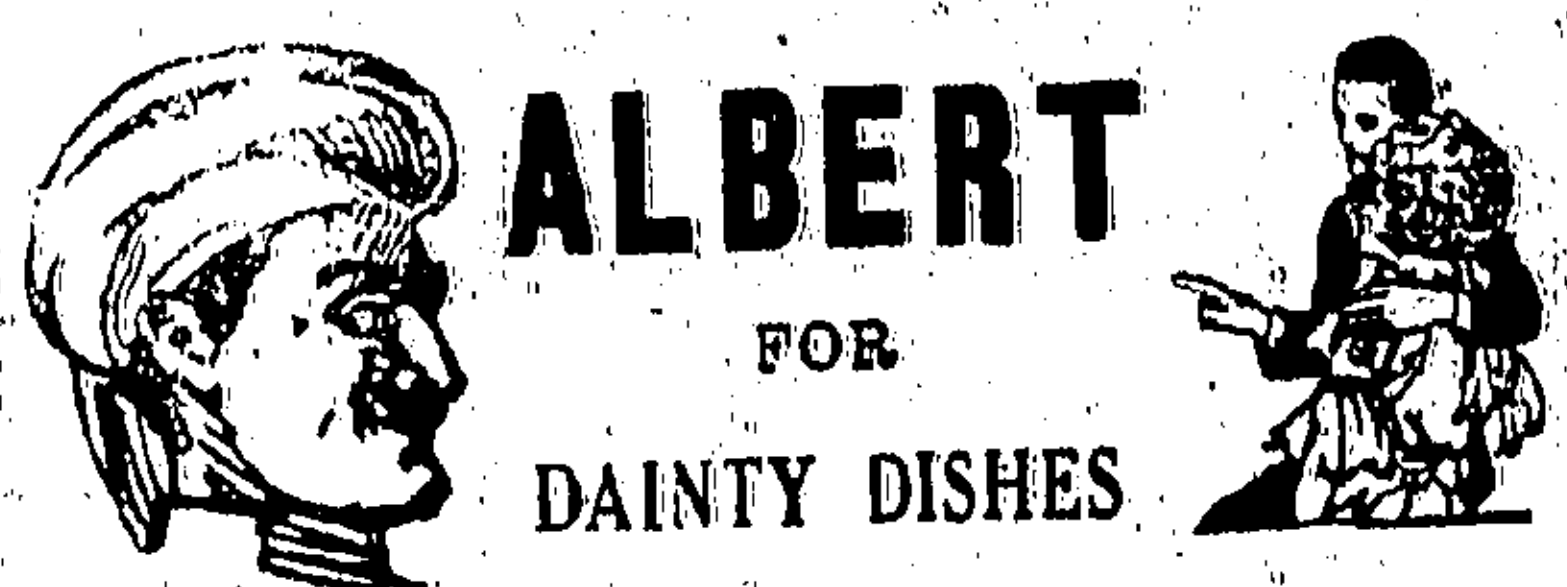


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Sir Charles Sherrington, O.M., in a speech recorded in the "Lancet," said:—"As to what science is and what art is, let me

take refuge in saying that all definition is notoriously difficult, and that comparisons are odious. Bandaging, I think, I have seen in some hands an art and not a science, and yet in others both an art and a science; and possibly in others, a science but without art. Science pursues knowledge for the sake of knowing the how of a result. Perhaps Art uses knowledge for the sake of a result without caring about the how. Science has laws, which, unlike some laws, are unbreakable. Hence Mr. Bateson's wise advice, 'cherish your exceptions.' In Nature every seeming exception is but obedience to another law. With Art laws are on another plane—even in the fine arts. The laws of the romantic school of yesterday were not the laws of the classical school of the day before. The laws of the Cubists to-day will not be the laws of the Futurists, perhaps Polygonsists, of to-morrow. Hence medi-

cine which has become science is more stable than medicine which has not. Fashions of bandaging may change, but the principle of asepsis abides. Science and art dovetail in medicine; that is the real point of importance, not any impossible attempt to distinguish them minutely. Art where skillfully efficient unconsciously adopts measures science would endorse."

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